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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims. Only those claims being amended herein show their changes in highlighted form, where insertions appear as underlined text (e.g., insertions) while deletions appear as strikethrough text or brackets (e.g., ~~deletions~~ or [[deletions]]). Accordingly, please amend Claims as follows:

1.-74. (Cancelled)

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91. (Previously Presented) An electronic device for communication with a user comprising:

a computing platform including a graphical user interface;

a processor; and

a computer storage medium including:

a plurality of music renderer nodes indicating music renderers and including encoding requirements;

a plurality of music items nodes indicating music items; and

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a set of software instructions comprising:

displaying a hierarchical graphical library tree that graphically depicts the plurality of music renderer nodes and the plurality of music item nodes;

receiving a user-indicated request to move a subset of the plurality of music item nodes from a first location in the hierarchical graphical library tree to one of the plurality of music renderer nodes in the hierarchical graphical library tree; and

automatically encoding the subset of the plurality of music items to meet the encoding requirements of the one of the plurality of music renderer nodes.

92. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of Claim 91 further comprising an input device comprising at least one of a keyboard, a rollerball, a pen, a stylus, a touchscreen, a microphone, and a mouse.

93. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of Claim 91 further comprising an output device operative to display the hierarchical graphical library tree.

94. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of Claim 91 wherein the music renderer nodes represent at least one of a stationary device, a stereo system, a portable device, a Diamond RIO, a RCA Lyra, a portable radio, and a personal display adapter.

95. (Previously Presented) The electronic device of Claim 91 wherein the set of software instructions further comprises displaying on the output device the hierarchical graphical tree that graphically depicts the moved subset of the plurality of music item nodes.

96. (Previously Presented) A method for managing a music system with an electronic device that includes a memory, and input device, and an output device, comprising:

retrieving from a memory:

data related to a plurality of music renderer nodes indicating music renderers and including encoding requirements; and

data related to a plurality of music items node indicating music items;

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displaying on an output device a hierarchical graphical tree that graphically depicts the plurality of music renderer nodes and the plurality of music item nodes;

receiving from an input device a user-indicated request to move a subset of the plurality of music item nodes from a first location in the hierarchical graphical tree to one of the plurality of music renderer nodes in the hierarchical graphical tree;

automatically encoding the subset of the plurality of music items to meet the encoding requirements of the one of the plurality of music renderer nodes; and

storing the encoded data of the subset of the plurality of music item nodes in the memory.

97. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 96 wherein the input device comprises at least one of a keyboard, a rollerball, a pen, a stylus, a touchscreen, a microphone, and a mouse.

98. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 96 wherein the music renderer nodes represent at least one of a stationary device, a stereo system, a portable device, a Diamond RIO, a RCA Lyra, a portable radio, and a personal display adapter.

99. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 96 wherein the move includes copying.

100. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 96 further comprising displaying on the output device the hierarchical graphical tree that graphically depicts the moved subset of the plurality of music item nodes

101. (Previously Presented) A storage medium including a computer program stored thereon for causing a suitably programmed system to process computer-program code by performing the method of Claim 96 when such program is executed on the system